

From the Staff ...

Major Luke Vislay Criminal Investigation Bureau



From my first day of training as a recruit, I was told the Patrol was a family. At that time, I was more concerned with the demands of the Academy. I don't think the "Patrol is family" lesson truly resonated with me.

But, in the 25 years since I was first told the Patrol is a family, I've witnessed that lesson on many occasions. Throughout my career, my coworkers have been there to celebrate successes and blessings, and to offer support when life was more challenging. When my father died earlier this year, the outpouring of love and support by my Patrol family truly touched me. Recently, I was at Troop F for a fundraiser to help with medical expenses for the Tinnin and MacLaughlin families, who struggle with serious illnesses. I again saw the Patrol functioning as a family.

As in all families, there are sad times, challenges, and joys. I'm proud to be part of the Patrol; to see the network, the connection that keeps us strong. Along with a strong tradition of service and protection, we have forged a strong bond with one another. In the early years, the agency was so small it was easy to know each person *and their family*. Although we may have to introduce ourselves to each other once in a while, we still know each other. We know that the Patrol is a family.

So often, life has a way of occupying our thoughts with all that is going on. We can start to take for granted the support we have around us each and every day. No matter what we as individuals may face, we can draw strength in knowing our Patrol family is there for us. To all of you volunteers for the Special Olympics campaign, to all of our chili cook-off experts, to all the friends who shave their heads to support a co-worker in their time of need, and to all of you who send cards of sympathy and encouragement when we need it most: I'm proud to have you as part of my family.

God bless.

L. Vislay

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Mrs. Guthrie Accepts Gifts

(I to r) Retired Colonel Frederick M. Mills, who was representing The MASTERS, joined Colonel Ronald K. Replogle, Major Thomas E. Roam, Q/WPD, and Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/FOB, to present a Missouri flag to Mrs. Teresa Guthrie.





(I to r) Sgt. Scott Rhoad (University of Central Missouri), Chief John G. Simmons (Mission, KS, Police Department), Major Mark Goodloe (Kansas Highway Patrol), and Special Agent Dave Burlew (FBI) presented Mrs. Teresa Guthrie (center) with a check from the FBI National Academy Associates. The gift was a way of honoring her husband, Tpr. Frederick F. "Fred" Guthrie Jr., who died in the line of duty on August 1. 2011.

Cover

Lt. Erik A. Gottman, Troop B, tackles Sgt. Jeffery C. Creech, Troop B, during a tactical swimming drill. During the month of March 2012, Marine Operations Training involved 32 members from all troops, and covered boating laws, boat operations, boat accident investigation, and survival swimming.

Refired Major Jones Accepts French Legion Of Honor Medal

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

On January 23, 2012, Governor Jay Nixon presented French Legion of Honor medals to three Jefferson City veterans. The Patrol's own retired Major F.A. "Bud" Jones was one of those honored.

"70 years ago last month, the U.S. was drawn into war," said Gov. Nixon. "Millions of young Americans were called to duty and over 400,000 gave their lives by the war's end. In the sky over Europe facing German fighters, and from the ground, they knew every day could be their last. Here in America, we honor their service and also how they returned home and built this country."

The president of France bestowed the French Legion of Honor medal to Bud (along with Lloyd Cain and Frank Crooks), for distinguishing himself during the liberation of France in World War II. Created in 1802, by Napoleon Bonaparte, it is France's highest decoration.

When the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, Bud was a college student at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

As he and a few buddies played poker, a radio played in the background. One of the guys heard the radio announcer announce that Pearl Harbor had been bombed that morning. The conversation then became an understanding that America would be going to war.

Bud signed up with the U.S. Army Air Corps the following May, once he turned 21. A few months later, he would leave for flight training in California. Bud trained on the PT-17 Stearman, BT-15, and AT-6. Just before graduation, he flew an old P-40. He graduated flight school as a second lieutenant in August 1943.

His first combat mission took place in February 1944. He would fly a P-40 and P-47 in missions in the European Theater, in Italy and Southern France. His courage and flight ability helped take out enemy equipment, bases, and locomotives. He earned two Distinguished Flying Cross awards, four Air Medals, the Presidential Unit Citation with one Cluster, the EAME Medal with six battle stars, the American Campaign Medal, the WWII Vic-

tory Medal, and the U.S. Air Force Reserve Medal during his years of service. He flew 117 successful missions, then served as an instructor.

Bud stayed in the reserves after leaving active duty. He flew light aircraft as a civilian before becoming a member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Bud served and protected the citizens of Missouri in assignments at Troop C, Troop F, and General Headquarters. He retired from both the reserves and the Highway Patrol in 1981.

"Memories of World War II are 65 years distant," said Gov. Nixon during the awards ceremony. "We need to continue to show respect and gratitude to them and all our military."

He then told the recipients, "I want you to know that all six million Missourians share in the pride those present today feel about this honor."

Congratulations, retired Major Jones!!



After the presentation, Col. Ron Replogle, Major General Stephen L. Danner (adjutant general, Missouri National Guard), and Gov. Jay Nixon paused for a photo with the three award recipients.

National Guard Presents Gift To Troop H

By Sgt. Sheldon A. Lyon, Troop H

On February 7, 2012, Major Jeffrey Daise, commander of the 139th Security Forces Squadron, presented a United States flag to Captain Duane L. Robinson, Troop H, as a token of the good friendship between the Patrol and the squadron. The 139th Airlift Wing of the Missouri Air National Guard makes its home at Rosecrans Airport in St. Joseph.

However, this was no ordinary flag. On September 11, 2011, this flag was flown in support of the global war on terror and in honor of the people who lost their lives in the attacks on September 11, 2001. The flag was aboard "Ironman 1-1", the call sign of General Lloyd Austin's helicopter. Gen. Austin was the commander of

United States Forces in Iraq. On the 10th anniversary of 9-11, this flag flew from Victory Base, Iraq, to the United States Embassy in Iraq.

After 9-11, Troop H worked closely with the 139th Airlift Wing at Rosecrans Airport, in St. Joseph, to help secure the base. Since then, Troop H officers have helped coordinate an air show at Rosecrans Airport.

Thank you to the men and women of the 139th Airlift Wing for their dedicated service to the greatest country in the world.



Major Jeffrey Daise, Missouri Air National Guard, presents a U.S. Flag to Capt. Duane L. Robinson, Troop H. Lt. Scott E. Meyer (1) and Lt. Mark D. Harwell (r), both Troop H, attended the presentation.

2012 MOSTA Grappie Tournament

Saturday, May 12, 2012 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Truman State Park Marina, Truman Lake, Warsaw, MO

(On Missouri Route UU North From Missouri Highway 7)

Biggest Crappie Contest - Winner awarded \$150 and trophy.

includes Biggest Crappie Contest.) Limit: Two Fishermen Per Boat. Tournament is open to all fishermen, as long as at least one team member in the boat is employed by a criminal justice agency in any capacity (includes retirees and active reserve members).

FAMILY PICNIC will be held at the Truman State Park shelter house at 4:30 p.m. following the tournament.

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6th	8%	*(\$280)
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8th	6%	*(\$210)
9th	5%	*(\$175)
10th	4%	*(\$140)

*Payout is based on 100 boats being entered.

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Stephanie D. Wingate Food Service Helper I Q/TND

Blue Crew Serves for SOMO

By Sgt. Douglas J. "D.J." Hedrick, Troop A

On February 15, 2012, the Country Cookin' Café hosted the Second Annual Tip A Trooper. Lieutenant B. Timothy Deshler, Troop A, Sergeant Dale E. Knox, Q/GD, Sergeant Dale A. Chenoweth, Q/GD, Sergeant Douglas J. Hedrick, Troop A, Corporal Carl A. Taibi Jr., Troop A, Trooper Bruce E. Kerr, Troop A, and Trooper Matthew J. "Matt" Yoder, Troop A, poured coffee, took food orders, cleaned tables, washed dishes, and served the crowd with a smile. This special event raised money for Missouri Special Olympics programs, which provides over 15,000 children and adult athletes with intellectual disabilities an opportunity to compete in a variety of Olympic-style sports. The venue not only gives these athletes

Cpl. Carl A. Taibi Jr. cheerfully takes the coffee pot around for refills.

a place to experience triumph and joy, it also gives them confidence and a sense of accomplishment.

Once again, the Platte County Community came together and supported Tip A Trooper. Even though the economy is struggling and gas prices are high, people showed their generosity. Members of the Patrol were honored to have so many give tips and donations.



Sgt. Dale E. Knox carefully delivers an order.

Sgt. Dale A. Chenoweth is happy to wash dishes for Special Olympics.



The troopers of the Platte County area take great pride in serving the citizens and keeping the highways safe. In the four hours the troopers served and waited tables, \$260 in T-shirt sales and \$900 in tips and donations was raised for the Special Olympics Missouri.

I believe everyone had a great time talking with their local troopers. The owner of Country Cookin' Café made this successful fundraiser possible. Thank you, Tammy Berry, of Weston, MO, and all of your employees. This would not be possible without the support of the citizens of Platte County. The people came together to support a wonderful cause. We all are thankful for the ability to help others.

MPOA Presents Benefit To Guthrie Family

By Troop A

On March 7, 2012, retired Chief James A. Huff, executive director of the Missouri Peace Officers Association, and Ms. Cindy Cleary, public relations manager with American Life Insurance Company, presented a financial benefit to Mrs. Teresa Guthrie and her daughter, Amber Guthrie, in memory of their husband and father, Trooper Frederick F. "Fred" Guthrie Jr., who was killed in the line of duty on August 1, 2011. Tpr. Guthrie was a member of MPOA.



Pictured are (l to r) Capt. Robert L. Powell, Troop A, Major Thomas E. Roam, Q/WPD, retired Chief James A. Huff, MPOA, Mrs. Teresa Guthrie, Ms. Cindy Cleary, American Life Insurance Company, and Ms. Lisa Lambkin.

Leap Day Brings Extreme Weather

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

February 29, 2012, brought extreme weather, including several tornados, across Southern Missouri. Seven counties in the Troop D area were affected. Not even a year after the devastation in Joplin, Missourians found themselves responding to their neighbors' needs.

Troopers from Troops A, F, and D responded to the affected area. Initially, the detail provided assistance with search and rescue efforts. Troopers also provided 24-hour security in the damaged areas. Much of the detail worked in Branson, MO, along Highway 76, closing roads as necessary while utility crews restored power to residents. Area troopers also assisted Governor's Security Division officers with security during Governor Jay Nixon's visit to affected areas.

Troop E reported that a deadly EF-2 tornado tore a path through rural Stoddard County in the early morning hours of February 29, 2012. Homes were destroyed and lives changed forever. One Puxico man sustained fatal injuries as a result of being thrown from his mobile home. Troop E officers assisted the Stoddard County Sheriff's Department with a search of the damaged area and provided secu-



Tpr. William R. "Ryan"
Zeller, Troop D, checks a pile of debris, which is what is left of a marina's dock and boats near Kimberling City.

rity to those most affected. On March 1, 2012, Gov. Nixon arrived to meet with first responders and the city leaders of Puxico and Stoddard counties. The clean-up of the area continues, and those who have lost so much have vowed to rebuild.

In Troop I, tornados and straight line winds caused mostly property damage in Laclede and Pulaski counties, with some minor injuries reported. Numerous fifth-wheel trailers sustained serious damage. Thankfully, the storm didn't arrive a day later, when fishermen awaiting the

opening day of trout season would have occupied those same trailers.

Troopers in Troop G responded in their area, also.

Editor's note: Thank you to Sgt. Michael W. Watson, Troop D, Tpr. Clark D. Parrott, Troop E, and Sgt. Danny J. Crain, Troop I, for contributing to this article.



This RV at the Castaway Campground near Bennett Springs State Park didn't stand a chance against the fierce winds.

The tornado destroyed these grain silos in rural Stoddard County.



Spotlight



Spec. Asst. Pettina F. Duenckel



Appointed: September 9, 2007. **First Assignment:** Accountant II, Budget and Procurement Division, General Headquarters.

Promotions/Reclassifications: Special Assistant — September 5, 2010.

Current Assignment: Special Assistant, Professional Standards Division, General Headquarters.

Family: Pettina and her husband, Corey, have been married for 19 years. They are the proud parents of two children. Their son, Jordan, is 13, and daughter, Sydney, is 10. Corey is employed at Redfield Golf and Country Club in Eugene, MO, as the golf course superintendent.

Interests: When Pettina is not working, she enjoys spending time with her family. According to Pettina, she enjoys watching the kids participate in basketball, baseball, soccer, football, softball, volleyball, and dance.

"It always seems like the kids need to be somewhere, so I spend a lot of time outside of work chauffeuring the kids around."

Some of Pettina's other hobbies include spending time with friends, boating, attending and watching sporting events, scrapbooking, and reading.

Pettina was born in Jefferson City,

MO, and graduated from Cole R-V Eugene High School in 1988. She earned a bachelor's degree from Missouri State University (Springfield) in 1992. Prior to working for the Patrol, Pettina was employed at a local state association as the executive director.

"I am grateful for the opportunity to work for the Patrol," she said.

Criminalist Sprv. Adam C. Benne



Appointed: July 1, 2001. **First Assignment:** Criminalist I, Crime Laboratory Division, General Headquarters.

Promotions/Reclassifications:

Criminalist II—June 29, 2003; Criminalist III—June 26, 2005; Criminalist Supervisor—July 6, 2008.

Current Assignment: Criminalist Supervisor, Crime Laboratory Division, General Headquarters.

Family: Adam and his wife, Jennifer, have two sons, Matthew, 14, and Ian, 5.

Interests: I enjoy spending time with my wife and boys. We like to go out to eat, go to movies, fish, play outside, and stuff like that. I also like to do small jobs around the house (tile a floor, work on a car, etc.). It's fun to do these things with my boys or my dad, and helps keep my wife happy.

"I am a Jefferson City native who grew up with a strong sense of respect

for the Missouri State Highway Patrol," said Adam. "I was taught from an early age that the Highway Patrol is the premiere law enforcement organization in Missouri. Before I began working at the Patrol, my exposure to the organization was through uniformed officers. Every interaction I had with these individuals was courteous and professional. After I started working at the laboratory, I found that professionalism and caring are traits fostered throughout the entire Patrol organization. The men and women of the Highway Patrol, uniformed and civilian, work tirelessly to serve and protect all people. I am proud to be associated with the Patrol and its people."

Clerk IV Cheryl L. Fletcher



Appointed: March 16, 2009.

First/Current Assignment: Clerk
IV, Drug & Crime Control Division, General Headquarters.

Family: Cheryl and Dan have been married for 34 years. They have two children and four grandchildren.

Interests: When she isn't working, she enjoys hunting, fishing, animals, gardening, and working at anything outdoors. She also loves music, playing piano, and southern gospel.

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— Fletcher

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"I came to the Patrol after 17 years working 24/7 in a high-stress political position with an overwhelming workload and too many job duties," said Cheryl. The Patrol is a welcomed relief. I heard it said many times in my previous position that only the "best of the best" could become a trooper. They were right, and I am honored to be a part of this organization."



Braylen Walker Tpr. Brett W. & Mrs. Erica M. Emerson Troop E

Dane Russell
Tpr. W. Sean & Mrs. Keri J.
Lieske
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Wakely Cole Tpr. Levi E. & Mrs. Meghan C. Rawson Troop E

Jaxon McCoy Tpr. Chase A. & DE I Jordan L. Stallcup Troop I

Emma Rose
Tpr. Quinton D. & Mrs. Leah R.
Bland
Troop D

Looking Back ... in the Patrol News

5 years ago

May/June 2007 — The Missouri Department of Transportation leveled Weigh Station E1-North on southbound Interstate 57 in Charleston, MO. The Patrol is reaccredited. Sgt. Matthew K. Funderburk seized 465 pounds of marijuana found inside a spool of high gauge cable.

10 years ago

April 2002 — The Motor Vehicle Bureau within the Division of Drug and Crime Control moved into its new location within the Harry S Truman Building in Jefferson City. A feature highlighted the Trooper Selection Process. Troop A's Honor Guard is pictured, showing their use of the 1931 and current uniforms.

15 years ago

May 1997 — One story told about the Mississippi County Courthouse in Charleston, MO, being destroyed by fire. Patrol officers attended clandestine laboratory training. The Boy Scouts/Patrol Crime Prevention Program was successful.

20 years ago

April 1992 — Tpr. L.W. Crooks and K-9 Wiko seized 208 pounds of cocaine during a traffic stop. Members of the Patrol's 64th Recruit Class, who were visiting Troop D that day, received some excellent onthe-job training.

25 years ago

May 1987 — The first Missouri Peace Officers' Memorial Day Service took place at the Capitol in Jefferson City. New speed limit signs (65 mph) were being placed on interstate highways in Missouri.

30 years ago

April 1982 — The Patrol held its first Lieutenant's Assessment Center. Trooper James E. Linegar responded to an injury traffic crash to find out the driver had walked on a broken ankle to a house 150 yards away to get help. Once located, the driver initially refused treatment. Tpr. Linegar assessed the situation, asked the homeowner to call for an ambulance and ended up performing CPR off and on during the 25 minute wait for its arrival.

35 years ago

May 1977 — The history of Troop D Headquarters appeared in a story. Tpr. E.H. Lankau, Troop C, stopped a man to write a summons for speed. The man proceeded to give him a card with a prayer and thank you printed on it, and a 10 minute testimony on his religious beliefs.

40 years ago

April 1972 — A photo showed Miss Tillie Sonnen, retired, receiving the first copy of the Patrol's 1971 yearbook from Colonel E.I. Hockaday. A motorist lost control of his vehicle and almost crashed head-on into a parked patrol car. Tpr. R.E. Herbert, Troop H, was in the car. After staring at each other for a moment, the driver finally asked, "Did you want to see me?"

45 years ago

May 1967 — Governor Warren E. Hearnes declared May 1967 as Vehicle Safety Check Month. A picture showed Sgt. J.L. Murphy, Troop C, standing near the Patrol's newest aircraft, a 1967 Cessna Skylane. The plane was blue and white, and had a cruising air speed of 150 mph.

CPL. PRIMM NAMED INTERDICTOR OF THE YEAR

By Sgt. Collin M. Stosberg, Troop A

On March 15, 2012, Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/FOB, presented a plaque to Corporal Gregory D. Primm naming him "2011 Interdiction Officer Of The Year" and recognizing his interdiction efforts. Cpl. Primm is part of Troop A's two-man criminal interdiction team, which is an assignment that is performance based. Cpl. Primm has given nothing short of an exemplary effort each day of his assignment. He has been highly effective and enhanced the performance of the unit to which he is assigned. The team chemistry and partnership he and his supervisor, Sergeant R. Brooks McGinnis, have garnered has the team firing on all cylinders.

Cpl. Primm made 88 misdemeanor drug arrests, 49 felony drug arrests, seven felony warrant arrests, and nine misdemeanor warrant arrests. He also made 10 seizures, which included 13 marijuana plants, 197 pounds of marijuana, one ounce of cocaine, 14 grams of crack cocaine, 204 heroin capsules, \$21,000 in currency, 500 pharmaceutical pills, and 3.5 pounds of methamphetamine ice.

Although concentrating his efforts on drug arrests, Cpl. Primm's most impressive traffic stop was on February 25, 2011, when he stopped a car for traveling above the speed limit. He found two wanted felons inside the vehicle. One of the felons had only recently been incarcerated under a false name and still wore the jail wristband as brazen proof of his confidence in assuming a false identity. Being jailed under a false name, while having an active felony warrant, and then subsequently being released without being identified certainly had to enhance both his desire to remain free and his ability to accomplish that goal. From the beginning of this traffic stop, Cpl. Primm was keenly aware of the potential for danger, based on the behavior of the two occupants of the vehicle. Cpl. Primm managed the investigative side of the car stop, as well as the tactical side, from the onset. Any-



(1 to r) Capt. Robert L. Powell, Troop A, Major J. Bret Johnson, Q/FOB, and Sgt. R. Brooks McGinnis, Troop A, stand with Cpl. Gregory D. "Greg" Primm, Troop A, after he accepted the 2011 Interdiction Officer Of The Year award.

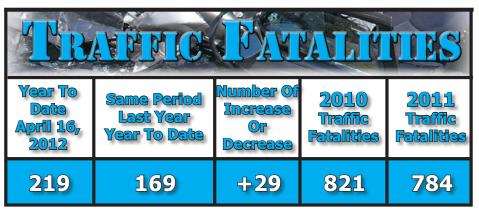
thing less could have had catastrophic results.

Cpl. Primm calmly issued one of the felons a summons under the assumed name knowing full well he was lying about his identity. When the man realized he was about to be arrested, he resisted by fleeing across a snow covered area and fought for his freedom. The passenger saw what occurred and began his flight in the car. The first man was subdued by Sgt. McGinnis and Cpl. Primm. The latter was arrested after a pursuit. Both felons were wanted for felony probation violation warrants, and were in possession of a distribution amount of heroin and cocaine. The man using a false identity was also wanted for questioning by the Kansas City, MO, Police Department Homicide Unit reference a police shooting incident and had

been on the run since the shooting. The Patrol and the citizens of the state of Missouri are lucky the officer who stopped these two was prepared and capable.

In addition to his duties in the criminal interdiction unit, Cpl. Primm served as an instructor in the implementation of the FATPOT computer system. He put in numerous hours, not only in the classroom, but also answered calls from officers in the field on a daily basis to assist them as they put the system to practical use in their enforcement and Patrol activities.

While there are many deserving candidates around the state, it would be hard to imagine a performance more deserving of the Patrol's 2011 Interdiction Officer Of The Year award than that of Cpl. Primm.



Note: These totals do not include late deaths.

Promotions



Jason H. Glendenning Sergeant Troop I



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Steven H. Crabtree Corporal Troop I



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Thaddeus W. Huff Asst. Chief Tech. Q/ICTD



Samuel G. Rayfield Comm. Oper. II Troop I



Bradley J. Carr CIT Specialist I Q/ICTD

Promotions



Teresa A. Davidson CVE Inspector II Troop H



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Maria A. Furey Crim. Intel. Analyst II Q/DDCC



Nicole A. Guy Fingerprint Tech. Sprv. Q/CJISD



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Jordan A. Paschal Clerk Typist II Troop F



Justin R. Richardson CVE Inspector II Troop H



Caroline R. Thompson Fingerprint Tech. III Q/CJISD



Heather A. Ward Criminalist II Q/CLD



Joseph J. Williams DE II Troop C

April

April 15

• Tpr. J.E. Linegar died in 1985.

April 15

• Class B Uniform

April 20

• Tpr. R.C. Tatoian died in 2005.

VOLUNTEERS BENEFIT FROM SERVICE TO SOMO

By Sgt. Jason M. Pace, Troop D

"Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt," was the mindset of over 800 Special Olympics athletes as they competed at the summer games in Springfield, last May. Athletes from across the state met at the Missouri State University and Drury University campuses to compete in various track and field, swimming, and powerlifting events. Summer Games include an opening ceremony, the parade of athletes, the culmination of the statewide Law Enforcement Torch Run, and the lighting of the Flame of Hope.

It is a competition, of course. But, it's also more than that. Special Olympics' events are an opportunity to make new friends and enjoy current ones, for both the athletes and the volunteers. Each year, at events all over the state, volunteers make Special Olympics the success it has been for 40 years.

Over the years, Special Olympics Missouri has grown to be recognized internationally and currently provides sports training and athletic competition for over 15,000 children and adults with intellectual disabilities. In 1986, the Missouri State Highway Patrol became heavily involved in Special Olympics with the inception of the Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR). The vision of the LETR was brought to life by retired Lieutenant Colonel Ralph Biele. He and the Missouri Police Chiefs' Association rallied all law enforcement agencies throughout the state to hold a fundraiser for Special Olympics.

What began as a 30-mile run with 87 runners is now a four-day relay covering more than 950 miles with 1,000 runners. It originates in more than 42 counties and concludes at the summer games. Nearly 200 agencies and 2,500 officers work year-round to accomplish the goal of raising both dollars and awareness for Special Olympics.

Col. Biele once said, "A lot of people get involved with Special Olym-

pics because they feel they need to give something back. I have found that I have gained and learned more from the Special Olympics athletes than I could ever give or teach them."

What began as a goal to help defray some of the expenses for Special Olympics by agencies throughout the state has grown from a \$15,000 fundraiser in 1986, to a \$1.9 million fundraiser in 2010, ranking sixth in the world. In addition to the Torch Run, the Patrol's involvement with Special Olympics has expanded into various fundraising efforts including trivia nights, chili cook-offs, Polar Bear Plunges, Tipa-Cop, Over the Edge, and dress down days, to name a few. In 2011, Patrol employees raised \$68,327.79.

There are many employees who volunteer with Special Olympics athletes, as well. Sergeant Edwin A. Blaylock, Troop C, originally got involved in 1994, by selling T-shirts and running in the Law Enforcement Torch Run. But, in 2005, he became more involved.

"Every year around spring time, I would see a group of Special Olympic powerlifting athletes at my gym training for the state games. They were motivated and dedicated athletes, who trained very hard. Then, I was approached by CVO Sprv. I Steve D. Wilmesherr, Troop C, whose son is a Special Olympics athlete who competes in powerlifting," said Sgt. Blaylock. "Steve asked me if I would be interested in being a judge for the powerlifting meet at the state games. I was more than happy to assist. It was unbelievable to see these athletes compete at such a high level."

In 2007, Sgt. Blaylock learned that the local powerlifting athletes at his gym were in need of a coach. He was honored when he was asked to fill that position.

"These athletes are truly amazing. They are very dedicated and train two to three times a week," said Sgt. Blaylock. "This past year, I was selected to coach the powerlifters represent-

ing Missouri at the Special Olympic National Games in Lincoln, NE. Again: What an amazing experience! It was a wonderful feeling to watch both of my athletes stand on the podium and receive their gold medals as national champions. I have watched some of these athletes develop into outstanding powerlifters, who could compete at any meet. I have one athlete, who can deadlift over 500 pounds and bench press over 300 pounds. Like I said, they are amazing. I would encourage all Patrol employees to become more active in Special Olympics. If you do not have the time to coach, there is always a need for volunteers at the local meets as well as the state games. I guarantee you will not find anything more rewarding."

"Patrol employees continually show their compassion and love for the athletes of Missouri Special Olympics. Our employees have supported the Law Enforcement Torch Run by selling T-shirts and coordinating many fundraising events," said Colonel Ron Replogle, Q/Staff. "Our partnership with Missouri Special Olympics benefits us as much as it does the athletes. The smiles on the faces of the athletes as they compete or are presented a medal at an awards ceremony makes all our efforts very worthwhile. I thank each Patrol employee for your work and donations to this great organization."

The 2012 Law Enforcement Torch Run is fast approaching. If you have time to give and would like to take part in the Torch Run or volunteer for Special Olympics Missouri, contact your troop representative for information. This year, the state competition takes place in May, in Columbia, MO. Contact Lt. John J. Hotz, Q/PIED, via e-mail regarding volunteering at the state competition.

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Longview Lake Scene Of Plunging

By Asst. Chief Oper. Michele L. Edson, Troop A

On Saturday, January 28, 2012, several Troop A employees and their family members participated in the eighth annual Polar Bear Plunge. The event took place at Longview Lake. Kansas City, MO, to benefit Missouri Special Olympics. This year's event was a splashing success, and raised over \$251,262 to date. A record 1.189 brave men and women from around the area took the chilly dip into Longview Lake.

Among those plungers one found 11 people representing Troop A: Sergeant Douglas J. Hedrick, Sergeant Stephen A. Coats, Trooper Gregory K. Tesch, Trooper Karime T. "Kari" Mc-Williams, and myself. Along with our group were Kari's younger brother, Matthew, her dad, Mark, and her cousin, Kellea Wright. My son, Brandon,

and friend, Jim Riddick, also joined us.

There to support all of us were Kari's

mom. Pattv. her younger sister. Kodie. and Driver Examiner II (and team photographer) Lisa L. Bird. Troop A set a \$1,000 goal, which they exceeded by raising

\$1,460. Thank you to all who participated, donated, and supported all of us. It was a privilege to be a part of this team. I look forward to participating

Troop A's group takes their turn and plunges into Longview Lake.

and their personal photographer to the Longview Lake Polar Bear Plunge.

again, and I challenge more Troop A employees to participate in the reason for freezin' next year.

Troop A's plungers brought supporters

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

"It was spectacular!" said Team Captain and Clerk IV Carla J. West, Q/MVID, about her experience as a member of Team Pops. Each of its six members were plunging for Special Olympics Missouri for the first time. Team Pops was a mixed six pack, that included: (1 to r) Cheif Operator Roger D. "Diet Pepsi" Martin, Q/ICTD; CIT III Kellie L. "Hawaiian Punch" Foster, Q/ICTD; Clerk Typist I Meghan D. "Dr. Pepper" Hauser, Q/MVID; Clerk IV Carla J. "Fanta Orange" West, Q/ MVID; Mr. Troy "Vintage RC Cola" Flickinger, MoDOT; and Housekeeper I Steve S. "Coke Zero" Stanley, Q/ MED.

Team Pops plunged into the Lake of Ozarks at Public Beach #2 on February 25, 2012. That day, plungers broke the state record for any single plunge event with 615 plungers, who



The mixed six-pack, known as Team Pops, was new to plunging. The team raised \$2,132 for Special Olympics Missouri, and blan to return next year.

raised \$213,000.

"There was so much positive energy in the air," said Carla. "It was an uplifting experience. It felt like a party. We all said afterward that we want to do it again."



Treasure Trolls Take The Plunge

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

As expected, this year's Polar Plunge brought out a lot of characters ... including some from the Patrol's Crime Laboratory Division. The group dressed as treasure trolls for its seventh foray into cold water. The fun began after the Christmas holiday, when a group formed and tossed around ideas for the 2012 costume.

"Sometimes, we bring ideas to the table, and other times, one person has an idea and we all jump on it," said Criminalist III Abigail J. Graham, Q/CLD.

"There are Smurfs and pirates every year," added Criminalist III James Burgio, Q/CLD.

Some members jump because it's a great cause or a member of their family has benefitted from Special Olympics' programs. Others enjoy the sense of camaraderie or community. For some, it's peer pressure or a guilt trip.

The camaraderie was easy to see, as the group laughed with one another during the interview. When one of them poked at Criminalist Jason W. Crafton, Q/CLD, about "creeping out a judge", he just laughed and replied, "That's why I do this."

You don't have to be part of the Crime Laboratory Division to join the team and plunge for a great cause. Abby was quick to invite any "strays" who didn't have someone to plunge with to join the laboratory's team.

Criminalist III Kimberly D. Hardin, Q/CLD, says her husband, Ronnie D. Hardin, joined the group. "My crazy husband had always wanted to do this. He's almost 50, and he wants to live life ... He really liked it."

Abby said the 2012 plunge was a great year to break in new team members. It was the warmest year since she'd started plunging.



(I to r) Mr. Ronnie Hardin; Ms. Britni Dewrock (friend); Crim. III Abby Graham, Q/CLD; CIT II Jacob N. Hendrix, Q/ICTD; and Crim. Sprv. Adam C. Benne, Crim. III Jason W. Crafton, Crim. III James Burgio, and Crim. III Matthew J. Fox, all Q/CLD, became trolls for a good cause.

"That's the hardest part," said Criminalist Supervisor Adam C. Benne, Q/CLD, "when you're waiting, and it's raining, and you hear chainsaws being used."

This year, the mild temperatures made cutting ice in Stephen's Lake

in Columbia, MO, unnecessary. This was the fourth year for Columbia's plunge, its largest yet, with 430 jumpers. Bob says he missed the parade (part of the plunge into the Lake of the Ozarks). But, the group enjoyed being closer to home and part of this young tradition. Although they plan to plunge again next year, they haven't picked a venue. That'll be determined closer to the date according to what works best for the group's collective schedules.

Although they didn't place in the costume competition, the treasure trolls raised \$1,800 for a great cause and had a lot of fun. If you'd like to join them, pick up the phone and let one of them know. Great job, trolls!

Ode To The Plunge

By DE II Lisa L. Bird, Troop A

It was a cold and windy day for friends to gather. They huddle, jump, and laugh ... a camaraderie like no other. Six Troop A members and their families, too, showed up to plunge into freezing water. Some for the first time—they didn't have a clue. Rescue divers in the water were standing waist deep. Here come the Troop A plungers, Into the cold water, none of them would creep. It was a full out run, making a little wave. Clinched fists and chattering teeth, Even their goose bumps were brave. Kodie was ready with dry towels, oh, so warm! Here come the plungers ... Around her they would swarm. For Troop A Polar Plungers, this was year two. They're all looking forward to next year, 'Cuz jumping for Special Olympics is what they love to do.

Fire Bydrant Inds Driving Test

By Sgt. Collin M. Stosberg, Troop A

In late February, a Troop A driver examiner in Gladstone administered a driving test to a 21-year-old woman. The examiner instructed the testing applicant to park uphill with a curb. The applicant turned her wheel to the right, when she should have turned it to the left, then proceeded to step extremely hard on the accelerator. The applicant then drove over a fire hydrant, which resulted in its eruption! (Think Old Faithful.)

After the applicant was able to drive off the hydrant, water spewed everywhere. Fortunately, there were no injuries to the applicant or the examiner. The applicant's Ford Explorer sustained minor damage to the front bumper; it was driven from the scene. Officers arrived on scene and completed a crash investigation. The Gladstone Water Department responded to turn off the hydrant.



Anniversaries

April

30 years

Chief Scale Maint. Tech. Jeffrey E. Rook, Q/CVE

25 years

Chief CVO Denise K. Henson, Troop C

15 years

Auto. Tech. Sprv. Sean D. Jacobs, Troop A Comm. Oper. II Samuel G. Rayfield, Troop I

10 years

DE III Sally L. Enderle, Troop C Comm. Oper. II Patrick B. Euans, Troop I

Asst. Chief. Oper. Christopher R. Nicholson, Troop H

CIT III Charles A. Stephan, Q/ICTD

CVO II Eric D. Cornman, Troop

DE III Darren E. Turner, Troop F Comm. Oper. II Mary A. Nelson, Troop E

DE III Percy S. Childs, Troop C CITS II Mathew E. Hodgen, Q/ICTD

Asst. Chief. Oper. Lindsay M. Williams, Troop F

5 years

DE III Hannah R. Taylor, Troop D Comm. Oper. II Christina A.
Johns, Troop D
Comm. Oper. II Rhonda G. Krinke,
Troop G

Comm. Oper. II Tammy M. Smeltser, Troop B

May

30 years

Sgt. Roger D. Shikles, Troop F

25 years

DE Chief Rebecca J. Strain, Troop G

20 years

Cpl. David W. Campbell, Troop A

15 years

MVI III Michael A. Dale, Troop A AFIS Entry Oper. III Tricia A. Faherty, Q/CJISD

10 years

CVO Sprv. I Randall K. Cooper, Troop E

Clerk Typist III Marlene M. Fraley, Troop A Tpr. Troy F. Graham, Troop H

DE III Susan Hall, Troop E Tpr. Darrin R. Haslag, Troop F CVO II Don M. Hux, Troop H

CVO II Jimmy D. Reid, Troop I CVO Sprv. I Anthony W. Urban,

Troop H

CVO II Brian C. Sanders, Troop A

Trainer/Auditor I Dean H. Milne, Q/CJISD

CITS II Jessica L. Moyer, Q/ICTD

CITS II Michelle L. Radmacher, Q/ICTD

5 years

Comm. Oper. II Matthew F. Becker, Troop C

DE III Nancy M. Brown, Troop B

Comm. Oper. II John P. Callihan, Troop C

Criminalist III Cindy M. Dierenfeldt, Q/CLD

Comm. Oper. II Leslie A. Goedecke, Troop C

Criminalist III Stephanie A. Horine, Q/CLD

Comm. Oper. II Leland R. Jones, Troop D

Criminalist III Regan D. Lee, Q/CLD

Comm. Oper. II April D. Lewis, Troop A

Comm. Oper. II Betty J. Rodgers, Troop E

Personnel Analyst II Elizabeth S. Stokes, Q/HRD

Criminalist III Michelle E. Waldron, Q/CLD

DE III Rondia J. Wood, Troop G

Retiree Spotlight

Major Francis A. "Bud" Jones

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

Retired Major Bud Jones was born Francis Andrew Jones, and nobody in his family could explain his nickname of Bud. He attended Visitation Parish Elementary School in Vienna, MO. For a little while, he attended St. Joseph High School, in Westphalia, MO. When money got tight, Bud dropped out of high school and worked in one of his mother's businesses (which included a filling station/restaurant on the highway) at about age 16. Bud was able to return to high school, this time in Vienna, MO, the following year. He would graduate from Vienna High School in 1940, a year after he should have.

"I went to the University of Missouri-Columbia for one semester," said Bud. The year I went, the total registration was about 5,000 at Mizzou. I lived in a boarding house."

Other students lived in the rooming house with him. Some nights they'd play poker with the radio in the background. "On December 7, 1941, one of the guys said, 'Did you hear that? Someone on the radio said Pearl Harbor was bombed that morning.' The conversation became an understanding we were going to war."

Bud went to Fort Leonard Wood and took the examination for the Army Air Corps Cadet Program in May 1942. A week later, he received a telegram that he was accepted. He went to California for training during the early fall 1942.

Bud's flight training included a biplane called a PT-17 Stearman, BT-15 made by Voltee, AT-6 Texans, and an old, beat up P-40. He graduated from training as a second lieutenant, with a designation as a single engine fighter pilot. That was August 1943.

He graduated as a lieutenant and was assigned to the European Theater. Bud flew 92 missions in the P-40, before it was replaced with a new P-47. He would fly 117 combat missions

during World War II. He would earn two Distinguished Flying Cross medals, one for a mission on September 6, 1944, and the second for a mission flown two days later. He earned a variety of other medals for his service, including the French Legion of Honor medal (see story this issue). Bud served as an instructor from December 1944 to June 1945.

Once out of the military, he went into the local 9698th reserve unit attached to Jefferson City. From 1945 to 1951, Bud used his civilian pilot's license and instructor's permit. He flew as a civilian instructor, crop duster, and fire patrol for the Missouri Department of Conservation. He said he did, "whatever I could to make a dollar in a light airplane."

In 1951, Sgt. Bob Boyland told Bud he should turn in his application for the Highway Patrol.



Retired Major Bud Jones wore his original fighter pilot jacket until it wore out. He then bought this new fighter pilot jacket and attached his patches.

"I asked him how to do that and he told me there would be a class of about 15 people that fall. I asked, 'How many applications?' He said, 'About 3,000.' I'd gotten married in February, and we'd just learned Dee was expecting. I thought about it and talked to Dee



Retired Major F.A. "Bud" Jones and his wife, Dee, stand on their front porch.

about it. She said whatever I wanted to do was fine with her. I put in my application and was chosen to take the test and interview."

A telegram notified Bud that he was accepted into the Patrol training. He attended four weeks of training, which took place in the basement of Troop F Headquarters. He graduated at the top of the class. He was almost 30 years old.

Bud's first assignment was Troop C, Kirkwood. He reported January 1, 1952.

His friend, Sgt. Boyland, called and told Bud that he was going to resign and go to work for a company. He encouraged Bud to talk to then-Colonel David E. Harrison about being a pilot.

"I drove to JC, dropped my wife and son at my mother's house, and called the colonel. He said to come on out to his home. He recognized me, and asked, 'What can I do for you, trooper?' I told him, 'I understand you need a pilot in Jefferson City.' He replied, 'What makes you think you can fly that airplane the way I want it flown?' I told him, 'I may not be able to fly that plane any better than anybody you can find, but, I can damn well fly it as good as anybody you can find.' He told me they'd cut the orders the next day."

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"So, that's how I got back to Troop F. I flew when they wanted the plane. and was in my car when they didn't. In 1958, I was promoted to sergeant. I was the first zone sergeant at Troop F, assigned to headquarters zone, and supervised both shifts. The colonel later told me he anticipated an Airplane Division in the state. He needed someone to be director of aviation. I had just been promoted. I loved the supervision and the police work. I told him if I was just going to be flying I wanted to stay exactly where I was. So, he asked me to recommend someone. I suggested Bill East. I knew he was a

capable pilot. He was then assigned director of aviation. I flew when he was on vacation or on military leave. The last time I flew for the Patrol was 1961."

One flight assignment is a well known piece of Patrol history—the 1954 prison riot. In an interview in 2004, Bud and a group of retirees talked about their experiences during the riot.

"The colonel told me to get the plane up in the air," said Bud. When asked how things looked from the air, Bud's first re-

sponse was, "It looks like Christmas!" He was referring to the sight of the troopers converging on Jefferson City from all directions with their red lights flashing. "I flew counterclockwise for four and a half hours. I used the light from the fire and flashlights on the ground to see and reported to them. It was pretty calm when I stopped flying."

In 1969, two inmates, Cecil Clayton Lillibridge and General David Parrish, over powered two prison guards

and escaped from a work detail outside the main penitentiary in Jefferson City. The two convicts stole a car then went to a farmhouse in the country. They tied up the family, and abducted a woman who was visiting.

Bud came up behind them in his '59 Dodge patrol car on Missouri Route V in western Cole County. A bullet from a .22-caliber automatic hit the windshield of Bud's Dodge, directly in front of his face. "It hit my shoulder strap, and I thought it had penetrated. I reported that I'd been hit, but was still in pursuit, turning south on Missouri Route FF."

Bud felt for blood and any sign of injury, but didn't feel anything. (Later, the investigation would reveal the bul-

In 1969, two fugitives fired upon Sgt. Bud Jones as he pursued them. The bullet split as it went through the patrol car's windshield.

let split in two when it struck the windshield. Part of the bullet then struck Bud's Sam Brown.) He continued pursuing the convicts for about five miles, until he ran them off the road. The two convicts ran into the woods. "We actually caught those two convicts in a graveyard after the bloodhounds [from Algoa] got involved," said Bud. The woman they had kidnapped was not hurt.

One of the convicts told Bud they were "kinda glad" he'd caught them. Apparently, the convict was tired of hearing recipes and stories about the woman's grandchildren. He complained that she never quit talking.

Bud says the bullet didn't hurt him. "It just slapped the strap against my shoulder. I still have that strap. I found the half of the bullet that struck me lying in the floor of my patrol car."

In 1969, Bud became a lieutenant stationed at Troop F. He enjoyed that assignment, serving as an enforcement lieutenant. He would become commanding officer of Troop F in 1973.

"There are only two good jobs on the Patrol. One is zone sergeant, and one is troop commander. Those are the same job exactly, except one is on a smaller scale."

> "You know, they used to call me Lieutenant Bud instead of Lieutenant Jones. Then, it was Captain Bud and Major Bud. I was honored by that." Bud became a major in 1979. He retired officially on July 1, 1981.

> > "We had a place at the lake and we both love to fish. We've gotten involved in military reunions for the P-40, P-47, and group/squadron associations over the years," Bud said.

When he retired, Dee asked Bud what he was going to do. "She said I was in good shape, and asked, 'What do you want to do?' I said, 'Let's not do anything unless we get bored or hungry.' She said, 'OK.' And, you know what? We haven't gotten bored or hungry ..."

Editor's Note: Bud and his wife Dee were married February 3, 1951. They had two children, Francis Andrew "Andy" and Patricia Lynn "Pat". In March 1986, heartbreaking news came to the Jones family. Andy and his new wife, Andrea, died in a traffic crash. They had eloped about a week to 10 days prior to the crash.

Pat married Melvin Smith in 1974, and they have two daughters. Bud and Dee are proud grandparents to Melinda "Mindy" and Jennifer "Jenni".

Retirements

Capt. Gary T. Haupt



Captain Gary T. Haupt retired February 1, 2012, after 33 years of distinguished service with the Missouri State Water Patrol and Missouri State Highway Patrol. Gary was born in St. Louis, and lived there until his junior year of high school. He then moved to the Lake of the Ozarks and graduated from School of the Osage in Lake Ozark. Gary later attended the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Gary began his career in January 1979, as a member of the Water Patrol's 17th Recruit Class. Upon graduation, Gary was assigned to Lake of the Ozarks. In 1982, Gary was promoted to corporal, and in 1986, he was promoted to sergeant. At that time, he assumed the supervisory responsibility for the Underwater Recovery Team, while serving as assistant supervisor in District 3. In 1990, Gary was promoted to captain and designated supervisor of District 3, which includes most of Troop D and western Troop G.

During his tenure on Lake of the Ozarks, Gary worked many boating crash and drowning investigations. As he worked these crashes, it quickly became apparent that much of the evidence available to investigators on highways was not available to boating crash investigators. This lack of evidence led Gary to begin developing a detailed assessment and analysis of damage to vessels involved in boat crashes. In 1981, Gary began instruct-

ing Water Patrol officers in boat crash investigation. That same year, he began teaching an eight-hour course at the United States Coast Guard Training Center, in Yorktown, VA. For over 25 years, Gary has taught officers and marine crash investigators nationwide the art of marine crash investigation and marine crash reconstruction.

In 2000, Gary re-engineered the boating accident investigation courses for the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA). During that process, Gary focused on creating an extensive array of PowerPoint presentations dealing with boating collisions. Those modules are now the main components of NASBLA's Boat Accident Investigation Course.

Other milestones and accomplishments:

- In 2011, Gary was the recipient of the prestigious NASBLA Award for his outstanding contributions in the area of boating crash investigation and reconstruction, as well as his many other contributions toward national boating safety.
- 2008-present —NASBLA's Engineering, Reporting, and Analysis Committee (member).
- 2008-present—American Boat and Yacht Council Technical Boating (board member).
- 2006-2008—NASBLA's Boating Accident Investigation, Reporting, and Analysis Committee (chairman).
- Attended the 191st session of the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA.

In retirement, Gary plans to continue as a NASBLA instructor to teach new generations of students the aspects of boating crash investigation and reconstruction. This course is in high demand. Since retiring, Gary has conducted a course in Vancouver, British Columbia, for Canadian marine law enforcement agencies. Holding a course in Australia is also a possibility.

Gary and his wife, Sue, reside in Ridgedale, MO. They have two sons,

Brian and Jeff, who live in the St. Louis area. Jeff and his wife are the proud parents of one son, Brayden. We wish Gary a long and enjoyable retirement. Thank you for years of dedicated service.

Sgt. Alva E. Thurman



On August 1, 2011, Sergeant Alva E. 'Ed' Thurman retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol after more than 37 years of dedicated service.

Ed is a native of Ava, MO, and a graduate of Ava High School. Ed attended the College of the Ozarks and graduated in 1973, with a bachelor's of science in physical education. Later that same year, he was appointed to the Highway Patrol as a member of the 42nd Recruit Class. Upon graduation from the Academy, Ed was assigned to Troop D. Zone 2. In 1977, Ed began serving Troop D as a pilot. In 1981, Ed was promoted to corporal, and assigned to Zone 10. In 1989, Ed became the full-time pilot for Troop D. He was promoted to sergeant in 1991. It is from this position that Ed retires.

Ed earned his pilot's license in 1971, at the College of the Ozarks. He became instrument rated in 1992. In 1996, Ed obtained his helicopter rating and began providing helicopter air support. During his career, Ed operated three different types of aircraft: a Cessna 182, an MD 500 helicopter, and a Bell 206 helicopter. Ed has attended

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flight training at MD Helicopters in Mesa, AZ, and Bell Training Academy in Ft. Worth, Texas, as well as numerous other flight safety-related training. Ed has flown for 34 years and has accumulated over 11,000 law enforcement flight hours.

Ed is married to Pamra (Medlock), who is originally from Davenport, IA. Pamra is employed as an emergency room nurse at Skaggs Community Hospital in Branson. Ed and Pamra have four children and seven grandchildren.

Ed worked numerous special assignments in his career, including manhunts, state fairs, traffic enforcement, and marijuana eradication operations. Of all the operations during his career, Ed stated the support he provided for the Republican National Convention in 1976 was one of the most memorable. Of all the high speeds he recalls from airborne traffic enforcement, Ed stated the fastest was 141 mph.

The following are a few thoughts, observations, and memories from Corporal Daniel P. "Dan" Wohnoutka, Troop D. For the last 10 years, Dan served as Ed's back-up pilot.

"Anyone who has had the opportunity to work around Ed Thurman quickly realizes that he is significantly laid back, does not get too excited with circumstances, is very even tempered, and never over-reacts. He very much enjoys his responsibilities as a pilot for the Patrol, and is extremely dedicated to being productive while operating the aircraft. In fact, Ed is so effective at "eradicating marijuana", that I have on many occasions questioned him as to whether he utilizes his leave days in the late spring, with a GPS, to "establish patches" that he can locate during eradication season. Ed is truly amazing at locating the stuff. It is rare that he spends a day searching, that he does not locate a "bingo". It may only be one or two plants, buried in

extremely thick brush or foliage, but he finds it.

The nearest that I have experienced Ed to any level that could be remotely considered as excited, was one Sunday afternoon in late November, several years ago. It so happened that I was the only zone officer working the zone, when radio informed me that 97MP was en route to work the blocks in my zone. The blan was to work in the northern portion of the zone and have an officer from the neighboring zone meet with us to help stop cars. I had just completed giving Ed a run-through, and was about to pull to the shoulder to get set up and started. While waiting on the officer from the neighboring zone to arrive, I noticed a black Camaro about a tenth mile in front of me, closing extremely fast in the opposite direction. I quickly turned on my radar unit, fumbled around for my remote, and got the rear antenna activated, just in time to get a "blip" of a speed to flash up. The reading was 149 mph.

I was reluctant to tell Ed that I had just checked one at 149, so I quickly reported to him that I had checked a black Camaro, headed toward the blocks, traveling extremely fast. Realizing that I was in a Crown Vic that was only capable of 130 mph, and I was probably already nearly a mile behind, I did not even attempt to catch the Camaro. I started in its direction to assist the officer from the neighboring zone, who was surely close by. Only moments after reporting the vehicle to Ed, Ed responded, I just checked him at 141', with the highest level of excitement in his voice I had ever experienced. I attempted to reach the officer from the neighboring zone with no contact. Ed immediately started calling for the officer as well, as he reported the progress of the violator. The driver caught other traffic and began passing the traffic on the left when clear (two-lane highway) and on the right shoulder (paved) when there was oncoming traffic. Ed, still with excitement in his voice, was giving me a playby-play of the violations, while I was at least three miles behind with no hope of

closing ground. Ed anxiously continued attempts to reach the other officer by radio and contacted troop communications to help alert the other officer.

Unfortunately, the violating driver had attempted to overtake a semi, by passing on the right shoulder. The driver lost control and traveled off the right side the road, resulting in a horrific crash. Ed, still with excitement in his voice, described the crash as the Camaro tumbled and rolled, shedding body parts and panels over 700 feet before it came to rest. Tragically, the driver of the vehicle was ejected during the crash and died a short time after I arrived on scene. Ed described the crash as similar to a Winston Cup stock car crash on a super speedway. Unbeknownst to Ed and me, the other "un-named" officer had been 10-6 at the zone office, listening to the event on the scanner. No doubt, he was probably just as excited as Ed was. To this day, you can ask Ed how many seconds it takes to pass through the blocks at 141 mph, and he will immediately tell you 3.19 seconds.

Working with Ed for 10 years, as his back-up pilot, offered many memorable moments and experiences, which will remain with me forever. I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with and learn from him. We spent many hours, side by side, in the helicopter, day and night, sometimes peering through the green light of NVGs, scouring the ground for whatever the subject of our search was. Ed most always allowed me the opportunity to be on the controls, supervising me, most often silently from the right seat, offering a suggestion when necessary and praise when appropriate. I'm sure he must have been nervous on occasion, confused on others. and borderline terrified more than once. However, Ed's voice was always calm, his appearance unshaken, his instruction clear, and his attitude complementary. The experience I have gained from Ed certainly will prove invaluable for me in the future.

Ed has set an exceptional standard for me to achieve in productivity, ability, and professionalism as Troop D's new

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full-time pilot. Ed, I'm going to miss having you there to guide me, supervise me, instruct me, and share experiences with me. I certainly have enjoyed the years working with you. Enjoy your retirement, you have thoroughly earned it."

Ed's retirement plans include hunting, fishing, riding his horses, and enjoying his grandchildren's sporting events. Ed stated he will especially enjoy 'sleeping late'!

Congratulations, Ed!

Cpl. James A. "Jim" Elder



Corporal James A. Elder retired on February 1, 2012, after 29 years of dedicated service to the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Jim was born in St. Joseph, MO, and graduated high school at South Holt High School in Oregon, MO. Jim began his career with the 55th Recruit Class on January 1, 1983.

After graduating from the Patrol Academy, his first assignment was Troop H, Zone 1, Holt and Atchison counties. Jim's field training officer was retired Colonel Roger D. Stottlemyre. He was promoted to corporal and designated assistant supervisor for Zone 1, in May 1995. He later transferred to the Gaming Division in 1999, and was assigned to the St. Jo Frontier

Casino where he remained until his retirement.

Jim had many memorable experiences while stationed in Tarkio, MO, which included training Troopers Brian D. Holcomb and Daniel A. Landi, and escorting the original U.S. Constitution in 1987, from the Iowa state line to Troop A. Jim also served on the inauguration detail for Governor Mel Carnahan in 1992. In 1995, Iim assisted the FBI and Division of Drug and Crime Control officers on a gambling raid north of Rock Port, MO, which resulted in the arrest of a local subject. He was very active with many of his zone members in serving the community, motorists, and local law enforcement during the flood of 1993. Jim also spoke about many winter snowstorms that always seemed to target Atchison County. In June 2011, Cpl. Elder was temporarily assigned to Troop H due to the casino property being closed because of flooding. He was stationed back in Zone 1 to assist with flood relief efforts, road closures, and enforcement until September. While in the Gaming Division, Jim reflected on the camaraderie he had with his zone members and the diverse investigations he conducted.

Jim is married to Kathy (Grundel) Elder, and they have a son named Jimi, 11. Jim also has a son, Joel, who resides in Rosendale, NY, and a daughter, Tiffany, who lives in Tahlaquah, OK. Jim has four grandchildren and 10 step-grandchildren. He is an active member of the Christian Motorcycle Association and plans to do more outreach through this organization. He also has ambitions to ride his motorcycle to Alaska and tour the state. Jim and Kathy have a fifth-wheel camper and are planning to utilize it frequently along with their fishing boat. Jim looks forward to spending time with his family and friends during his retirement.

The Gaming Division wishes Jim a healthy and prosperous retirement.

AFIS Entry Oper. III Helen A. Boeckmann



On March 1, 2012, Helen A. Boeckmann retired from the Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division of the Missouri State Highway Patrol where she had been serving as an AFIS Entry Operator III. Helen began her career at the Patrol on December 2, 2002, as a temporary employee. On January 11, 2003, she became a full-time employee in the CIIS Division.

Before coming to the Patrol, Helen ran an in-home daycare center for 19 years and worked at Florsheim for 15 years. Helen states that she especially enjoyed the six years she served at the public window in the CJIS Division. She enjoyed meeting new people and made lots of friends who came to the public window every day to do their company's background checks. She also enjoyed getting to know those people who worked in other divisions in the Annex Building, which she would not have otherwise had a chance to meet.

Helen and her husband, Art, have five children: Mark, Laurie (and her husband, Stu), Amy (and her husband, Matt), Jason (and his wife, Vanessa), and Todd. She has 12 grandchildren

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and two step-grandchildren. Helen is looking forward to having a step great-granddaughter in March.

Helen does not have any big plans for retirement. She just plans on helping with the grandkids, going to all their games, playing lots of cards and games, and enjoying friends and family.

Congratulations, Helen!

Retiree News



Congratulations to retired Captain Christian T. Ricks. Chris was elected second vice president of the American Association of State Troopers (AAST). His term began effective January 1, 2012. As second vice president, he has the right to inspect all physical property of the association, and the responsibility of retaining a current audit of it. Chris also serves as chairman of the AAST Scholarship Foundation board of directors.

Congratulations On Your Detirement!



Mark J. Thomas Sergeant Q/GD

Retired January 1, 2012. 28 years, 11 months of dedicated service.



Arnello M. Garcia CVO II Troop D

Retired February 1, 2012. 18 years, five months of dedicated service.

Joseph W. Hughes Captain Troop F

Retired February 1, 2012. 32 years of dedicated service (MSWP and MSHP).



Dovie L. Sebourn CVO Supervisor I Troop E

Retired February 1, 2012. 27 years, three months of dedicated service.



Terry M. Wilkinson Sergeant Q/GD

Retired April 1, 2012. 35 years of dedicated service.



'Looking Beyond The Stop'

The following officers are to be commended for looking beyond the initial stop. Each of these officers made at least one arrest during the period of January 1, 2012 to February 29, 2012. (Editor's note: This column excludes DWI arrests, warrant arrests, and "plain sight" situations. Keep in mind that there must be information in the "miscellaneous" section of the radio report to be considered for this column.)

Troop A

Tpr. D.C. Belardo, 3 arrests Tpr. R.J. Chapman, 4 arrests Tpr. L.R. Dancy, 1 arrest Tpr. B.R. DeHaan, 1 arrest Tpr. B.R. Dodson, 2 arrests Cpl. C.G. Dunfee, 1 arrest Tpr. D.E. Fessenden, 3 arrests Tpr. T.I. Goolsby, 1 arrest Tpr. M.J. Hanrahan, 2 arrests Tpr. J.M. Harrison, 1 arrest Tpr. J.W. Huff, 1 arrest Tpr. G.J. Jenner, 1 arrest Tpr. D.A. Jones, 2 arrests Tpr. G.D. Oetting, 1 arrest* CVO II R.R. Fichtner, 1 assist* Tpr. B.R. Peters, 3 arrests Tpr. K.A. Schmutzler, 1 arrest Tpr. C.J. Sullivan, 3 arrests Cpl. J.M. Toal, 3 arrests Tpr. J.C. Utz, 1 arrest Tpr. N.D. Wallace, 3 arrests Tpr. R.J. Wilhoit, 1 arrest Tpr. M.J. Yoder, 7 arrests

Troop B

Tpr. T.J. Adams, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.M. Behrens, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.S. Dunn, 2 arrests
Tpr. K.E. Easley, 1 arrest
Tpr. G.R. Fenton, 3 arrests
Cpl. E.L. Grissom, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.J. Haley, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.P. Johnson, 2 arrests
Tpr. C.D. Primm, 4 arrests
Sgt. T.R. Rohn, 2 arrests
Tpr. B.D. Tappendorf, 1 arrest
Tpr. C.W. Walton, 1 arrest

Troop C

Cpl. L.G. Amighetti, 1 arrest Tpr. M.T. Angrisani, 1 arrest Tpr. C.A. Bowles Jr., 1 arrest Sgt. J.R. Campbell, 2 arrests Tpr. T.L. Coffey, 1 arrest Cpl. T.S. Croft, 1 arrest Tpr. J.R. Diffee, 3 arrests Tpr. Q.L. Dinovi, 1 arrest Tpr. C.D. Fieser, 2 arrests Tpr. A.S. Huskey, 3 arrests Tpr. D.A. Mason, 1 arrest Tpr. J.R. McCurdy, 1 arrest Tpr. B.P. Mills, 1 arrest Cpl. B.A. Moore, 1 arrest Cpl. M.R. Schmidt, 1 arrest Cpl. W.B. Sevier, 1 arrest Tpr. C.P. Verdone, 1 arrest Tpr. A.L. Woods, 1 arrest

Troop D

Tpr. T.A. Bible, 2 arrests
Sgt. G.L. Braden, 2 arrests*
Chief CVO R.L. Talbert, 2 assists*
Tpr. Z.K. Bryan, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.B. Carnagey, 1 arrest
Sgt. M.D. Green, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.E. Henderson, 3 arrests
Tpr. S.D. Isringhausen, 1 arrest
Tpr. A.J. Kahler, 1 arrest
Sgt. D.L. Kuechler, 3 arrests
Cpl. S.R. Monk, 1 arrest

Troop E

Sgt. M.E. Carson, 1 arrest Tpr. J.C. Cooksey Jr., 1 arrest Tpr. D.W. Crank, 3 arrests Tpr. C.D. Hamlett, 3 arrests Tpr. A.R. Johnson, 2 arrests Tpr. B.M. Loring, 1 arrest Tpr. L.B. Monahan, 1 arrest Tpr. L.E. Rawson, 3 arrests Cpl. J.S. Stewart, 1 arrest Tpr. J.J. West, 3 arrests Tpr. J.T. Wilson, 3 arrests

Troop F

Tpr. B.W. Adamson, 2 arrests Sgt. W.V. Ahrens, 1 arrest Cpl. S.A. Ballard, 1 arrest Tpr. D.H. Crafton, 2 arrests Cpl. M.A. Halford, 2 arrests Tpr. M.T. Halford, 2 arrests Tpr. S.B. Johnson, 3 arrests Tpr. A.E. Klempke, 1 arrest Cpl. S.M. Lance, 2 arrests
Cpl. J.E. Lowary, 2 arrests
Tpr. J.D. Miller, 1 arrest
Cpl. M.E. Morice, 3 arrests
Tpr. S.L. Mosher, 1 arrest
Cpl. T.V. Mosley, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.R. Powell, 2 arrests
Cpl. T.D. Stegeman, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.K. Sullivan, 1 arrest
Cpl. R.S. Thompson, 5 arrests
Tpr. C.B. Wilt, 2 arrests

Troop G

Cpl. L.S. Elliott, 1 arrest
Tpr. B.D. Foster, 2 arrests
Cpl. S.N. Foster, 4 arrests
Cpl. C.A. Hogue, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.J. Johnson, 2 arrests
Tpr. G.J. Loring, 2 arrests
Cpl. S.L. Nelson, 1 arrest
Tpr. D.B. Pounds, 4 arrests
Tpr. J.R. Roberts, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.D. Vaughan, 2 arrests
Tpr. E.M. VanWinkle, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.V.J. Volkmer, 1 arrest
Tpr. P.R. Wells, 1 arrests

Troop H

Sgt. L.M. Allen, 2 arrests
Tpr. D.F. Barnett, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.J. Black, 1 arrest
Tpr. K.L. Carroll, 1 arrest
Sgt. T.B. Gardner, 1 arrest
Tpr. T.B. Heintz, 2 arrests
Cpl. J.S. Johnson, 1 arrest
Tpr. R.M. Malone III, 2 arrests
Tpr. A.S. Rice, 1 arrest
Tpr. K.A. Seabaugh, 1 arrest
Sgt. M.A. Wilhoit, 1 arrest
Tpr. J.R. Zach, 2 arrests

Troop I

Tpr. M.A. Goodson, 1 arrest Tpr. J.T. Peart, 1 arrest Tpr. B.A. Vogt, 1 arrest

Deaths

Terry W. Parker



Terry William Parker, 66, son of Bill and Myrtle Parker, was born June 20, 1945, in Vienna, MO. He was the youngest of seven children. He departed this life on January 1, 2012, in his home near Rolla, MO. Preceding him in death are his parents and two sisters, Billie Havens and Louise Roberson.

On July 11, 1964, he was united in marriage to Barbara Jean Whitehead. To this union two sons, Shane and Shawn, and one daughter, Shannon, was born.

Terry is survived by his wife of 47 years, Barbara; son, Shane (and his wife, Melissa), of Aurora, MO; son, Shawn (and his wife, Tonya), of Grain Valley, MO; and daughter, Shannon Fane (and her husband, Derric), of Rolla, MO; nine grandchildren, Andrew Parker, Rachel Parker, Parker Fane, Emily Parker, Kennedy Fane, Reece Parker, Hayden Fane, Reagan Parker, and Riley Parker; a brother, Jim Parker (and his wife, Mickey), of Vienna, MO; a sister, Joy Chambers (and her husband, Butch), of Rolla, MO; a sister, Ruth Poor (and her husband, Sonny), of Lawson, MO; a sister, Nellie Sandbothe (and her husband, Louis), of Lake Ozark, MO; several nieces and nephews; as well as a host of other relatives and numerous friends.

He was born and raised in Vienna, and graduated from Vienna High School. After he and Barbara were married, they made their home in Vienna and the Kansas City area. On June 1, 1967, Terry proudly joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol, beginning his career as a trooper, and the family moved to Festus. The family would later move to Waynesville and eventually settle in Rolla. Terry

continued with the Patrol until retiring as a sergeant on September 1, 1997.

Terry made his profession of faith in Christ early in his life. He was a member of Rolla Church of Christ, where he served a number of years as a deacon and was serving as an elder at the time of his death.

Terry enjoyed traveling with Barbara including RV trips to Florida and Alaska. Family was extremely important to Terry and he spent time with them hunting, fishing, snow skiing, and motorcycling. He was an avid spectator of the grandchildren's sporting events. Every summer included family time on the Gasconade River.

Terry was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, and uncle, and a caring friend and neighbor. We celebrate his life and will remember him as a devoted family man, a devout Christian, a courageous trooper, and a true friend to many.

Services for Terry were held on Thursday, January 5, 2012, at the Rolla Church of Christ with George Hulett officiating. Memorials are suggested to LaPalma Christian School. Arrangements were under the direction of James & Gahr Mortuary of Rolla.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Parker family.

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Lawrence B. Barrett



Lawrence Bell Barrett, 89, formerly of Jefferson City, died on Wednesday,

January 11, 2012, at the VA Veterans Home in Mexico, MO.

He was born on November 14, 1922, in Columbus, Ohio, the son of the late Tecumseh and Pheobia Bell Barrett. (He married Ruth Wright in Columbus, OH, in 1949. He married Mary Lou Turner on December 14, 1957, in Jefferson City.) She preceded him in death on July 14, 2005.

A graduate of Central High School in Columbus, Mr. Barrett was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and the Korean conflict, where he received two Bronze Stars and the United Nations Service Medal. He retired in 1963, as a sergeant first class, after 21 years of service with the Army. He was employed as reproduction machine operator with the Missouri State Highway Patrol for 21 years, until his retirement in 1984.

Mr. Barrett was a member of the Knights of Pythias; a 45-year member of Tony Jenkins Post 231 of the American Legion; and was an avid fan of the Cincinnati Reds and football. He was a member of the Catholic faith.

Survivors include five children: Deborah L. Williams (and husband, Nathan), Jefferson City; Larry W. Barrett, Jefferson City; and Brenda Barrett, Lawrence Barrett (and his wife, Joann), and Loretta "Cookie" Barrett, all of Columbus, OH; 10 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; eight great-great-grandchildren; one sister, Edwina Dennis, of Chicago, IL; a special niece, Wendy Gregory, of Columbus; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

He was preceded in death by four brothers: Tecumseh, Floyd, Frank, and Eugene Barrett; and one sister, Sarah Smith.

Funeral services took place January 18, 2012, at Dulle-Trimble Funeral Home, with the Rev. Cornell C. Sudduth Sr. officiating. Burial with military honors occurred at Hawthorn Memorial Gardens.

Memorials are suggested to the Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Barrett family.

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Herbert V. Groff



Retired Lieutenant Herbert V. Groff, of Winchester, MO, died on Sunday, January 15, 2012. He is now asleep with Jesus.

Lt. Groff was the beloved husband of June Groff; dear father of Drue Kory (and her husband, Duane), Dana Schmidt (and her husband, William), and Dirk Groff; and grandfather of Christopher and Corey. He was a dear friend to many.

Lt. Groff proudly served for over 30 years as a member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol and Marine Corps Reserves.

A private service and interment occurred at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to BackStoppers or Circle of Concern.

Arrangements handled by Schrader Funeral Home and Crematory.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Groff family.

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May

May 8

• Truman's birthday

May 17

• Sgt. D.C. May died 1999.

May 22

• Tpr. M.L. Newton died in 2003.

May 28

Memorial Day

Winifred E. "Gene" Lemonds



Winifred E. "Gene" Lemonds, of Kennett, MO, died on Monday, January 16, 2012, at the age of 89 years, nine months, and two days. Gene was born on April 14, 1922, the son of the late Albert Lemonds and Dessie Neal Lemonds Spicer. Gene married D. Olene Haraway on Sept. 1, 1947.

Survivors include his wife, Olene Lemonds, of Kennett; one son, Jim Lemonds (and his wife, Mary Ann), of St. Louis; one daughter, Mary Cowart (and her husband, Randy), of High Point, NC; five grandchildren, John Cowart, of Memphis, TN, Sarah Pugh, of Bentonville, AR, Christen McCuiston, of Brunswick, GA, Venessa Cowart, of Atlanta, GA, and Emily Lemonds, of Madrid, Spain; seven great-grandchildren; other relatives; and many friends.

He was preceded in death by one grandson, Ben Lemonds.

Gene served in the United States Air Force during WWII. He was appointed to the Missouri State Highway Patrol on August 1, 1952. He spent his career working in the Troop E, Poplar Bluff, area. Gene became a sergeant on November 1, 1958, and a lieutenant on October 1, 1973. He retired on August 1, 1978, after 26 years of dedicated service to the citizens of Missouri. Gene was a member of Kennett First Baptist Church, Kennett Lions Club, and VFW.

A funeral service took place on Thursday, January 19, at McDaniel Chapel in Kennett, with Rev. Ed Jansson officiating. VFW members served as honorary pallbearers. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, 300 St. Francis Street, Kennett, MO 63857.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Lemonds family.

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Wilbur C. Beghtol



Wilbur Crayton Beghtol, 89, of Pleasant Hill, MO, departed this life on Monday, January 23, 2012, at his home surrounded with love and family. He was born Monday, May 1, 1922, in Eldon, Iowa, the son of John Dewey and Beulah Beatrice (Brown) Beghtol.

He was a United States Army veteran, having served in Troop F of the 5th Calvary during WWII. He proudly served in the Pacific Theatre of Operations until he was wounded in combat on the Island of Los Negros in the Admiralty Island Chain. He was awarded a Purple Heart for his service.

During his yearlong recovery from his injury, he met his future wife, Louise Nadean Warren, and on July 12, 1944, they were united in marriage in Springfield, MO.

Early in his career, Wilbur was sergeant of the guard at the Missouri State Prison in Jefferson City. Later, he worked as a guard for Western Electric in Lee's Summit. Following his time there, he went to work for the Highway Patrol as a driver examiner. He retired in 1983, as the driver examiner supervisor of the Grandview Unit. He was a

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member of 1st Calvary Division Association, the Disabled American Veterans Commanders Club, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #3118. He was also a member of the Strasburg Baptist Church, where he was baptized in 2007.

Following retirement he raised thoroughbreds and raced them in numerous competitions throughout the United States. He and Louise loved to travel and spend time at their lake home next to his daughter and son-in-law, Ann and Bary.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Mildred Bates, and one grandson, Harry Douglas Porter.

He is survived by his wife of over 67 years, Louise, of the home; his daughter Ann Porter (and her husband, Bary), of Pleasant Hill; one grandson Bary Dwayne Porter (and Bob Jackson), of Kansas City; two great-grandchildren, Austin MacGyver Porter and McKayla Massey, both of Pleasant Hill; one brother, John Beghtol (and his wife, Nita), of Stanton, VA; other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 30, 2012, at the funeral home. Pastor Preston Sanders of the Strasburg Baptist Church officiated. Members of the Pleasant Hill VFW Post #3118 performed a "final salute" at the funeral home. Burial included full military honors given by the VFW Post #3118 Honor Guard. Casket bearers were Bob Jackson, Matt Liley, Chad Massey, Austin Porter, Bary Porter, Danny Porter, Dwayne Porter, and Lloyd Ross.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Pleasant Hill Meals On Wheels or the Lay-Clergy Council and may be sent in care of the funeral home.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Beghtol family.

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Norman R. Etheridge



Norman R. Etheridge, 82, of Springfield, died on Thursday, February 2, 2012. He was born on November 2, 1929, in Fond Du Lac, WI, to Rex and Maude Etheridge.

Norman joined the Missouri State Highway Patrol on September 30, 1958, as a clerk before becoming a driver examiner. He worked in the Troop D, Springfield, area. He retired as a driver examiner supervisor on August 30, 1988.

Norman is survived by his wife, Ruby; her children, Paula Carter (and her husband, John), of Brookline, MO, Keith Fowler, of Springfield, MO, Dennie Fowler (and his wife, Cindy), of Independence, MO, and Tom Fowler, of Cypress, CA; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a brother, Bruce Etheridge, of Fond du Lac, WI; a sisterin-law, Pat Etheridge, of Fond du Lac, WI; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial visitation took place on Monday, February 6, 2012, in Walnut Lawn Funeral Home. A brief service and military honors followed. In lieu, of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Shriners Abou Ben Adhem Temple, in Springfield, MO.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Etheridge family.

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Bernard A. "Ben" Backes



Bernard Anton "Ben" Backes, 79, of Jefferson City, died on Thursday, February 9, 2012, at Capital Region Medical Center. He was born on August 10, 1932, in Loose Creek, the son of the late Herman August and Elizabeth Johanna Rustemeyer Backes.

He was a United States Navy veteran, having served in the Pacific theater from 1952-1956. He was united in marriage on May 11, 1957, in St. Thomas, to Margaret Ann Luebbering, who preceded him in death on February 28, 2005. On October 22, 2005, Bernard married Claudette Jean Warfield Charlton, who resides at the home.

Bernard worked as a systems analyst for the Missouri State Highway Patrol from 1968-1992. He was member of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, in St. Thomas, MO, Knights of Columbus, in St. Thomas, MO, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie No. 2693. Bernard loved to dance, play the guitar, play baseball, and cheer on the St. Louis Cardinals.

Other survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Thomas and Carol Backes, of St. Thomas, and Timothy and Karen Backes, of Honey Creek; one daughter and son-in-law, Maureen and Jerold Eggen, of St. Thomas; four step-children, Deborah Frank (and her husband, Tom), of Honey Creek, Toni Halbrook (and her husband, Gregg), of Jefferson City, Mark Charlton (and his wife, Annette), of O'Fallon, and Kelly Charlton (and his wife, Vicki), of Jefferson City; 14 grandchildren, Michael



Backes, Joseph Eggen (and his wife, Sasha), Jim Backes, Christopher Backes, David Eggen, Elizabeth Backes, Teresa Backes, Lucas Eggen, Stephen Backes, Maria Backes, Rebekah Backes, Emily Backes, Paul T. Backes, and Matthew Backes; 11 step-grandchildren; seven step great-grandchildren; and six siblings, Agatha Haslag, of California, MO, Hugo Backes (and his wife, Maryann), of Jefferson City, Hubert Backes (and his wife, Joan), of Loose Creek, Mary Haslag (and her husband, Charles), of Linn, Eleanor Schepers (and her husband, Louis), of Jefferson City, and John Backes (and his wife, Janice), of Bonnots Mill. He also was preceded in death by a daughter, Jeanine Backes, two infant sisters, and two infant brothers.

Funeral services took place on Tuesday, February 14, 2012, at Dulle-Trimble Funeral Home. Ben was buried with military honors. Memorials are suggested to Cystic Fibrosis or to a charity of the donor's choice. Those wishing to e-mail tributes or condolences to the family may do so at www.dulletrimble.com.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Backes family.

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Caralene Terry



Caralene Terry, 80, of Poplar Bluff, died Tuesday, January 17, 2012, at Poplar Bluff Regional Medical Center. Services and burial took place January 20, 2012, at Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Dr. Leland Duncan officiated.

Mrs. Terry was born February 26, 1931, in Hackleburg, AL. On October

21, 1950, she married Glenn E. Terry in Michigan. Mr. Terry preceded her in death on August 29, 1979.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Poplar Bluff, and had retired after 36 years as a clerk typist for the Missouri Highway Patrol, Troop E, in Poplar Bluff. Mrs. Terry enjoyed spending time with her family, playing games, reading, and crocheting.

Survivors include a daughter, Glenda C. Byrd (and her husband, Marvin), of White Oak, MO; a son, Dale A. Terry (and his wife, Arda), of Poplar Bluff; three grandchildren, Scott A. Terry (and his wife, Mandy), of Arnold, MO, Cynthia C. Chance (and husband, Bart), of Portageville, MO, and Melissa A. Byrd, of Vero Beach, FL.

Her parents, Joseph Francis and Susan (Howell) Cromer, six sisters, and five brothers preceded Mrs. Terry in death.

The Patrol family extends its sincerest condolences to the Terry family.

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Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes to the following personnel who have lost a member of their family:

Clerk Typist III Carole L. Hobbs (C) - mother

DE III Anne M. Rayfield (I) - mother Comm. Oper. II Samuel G. Rayfield (I) mother-in-law

DE Sprv. Margaret M. Willm (C) - brother Comm. Oper. I Emily L. Humble (A) grandmother

Major Luke Vislay (Q/CIB) - father Criminalist III Stephanie A. Horine (Q/CLD) - grandfather

Tpr. Chad M. Hunter (Q/GD) - grandfather

Chief Oper. Roger M. Heard (H) - mother Comm. Oper. II Russel A. Windle (D) grandfather

Ret. Sgt. Linn A. Windle - father-in-law CITS II E. Hope Copas (Q/ICTD) nephew

CVE Insp. II Michael L. Pullam (E) - mother-in-law

Ret. CITS II Patricia A. Stuckenschneider - father

Tpr. David C. Dinges (Q/AD) - grandfather Ret. Sgt. Joseph H. Wilson Jr. - mother

Cpl. Roger A. Sherman (H) - grandfatherin-law

Capt. Ronald S. Johnson (C) - father

Sgt. C. Mitch Heath (E) - mother Tpr. Cameron M. Heath Jr. (E) grandmother

Cpl. Christopher M. Clair (A) - mother Criminalist III Rickie Sutton (Q/CLD) father-in-law

Tpr. Harold G. Vernon (H) - stepfather Tpr. Jennifer L. Vernon (H) - stepfather-inlaw

CVE Inspector III Jamaka S. Quinn (A) - mother-in-law

Ret. Tpr. Stephen L. Bartlett (E) - mother Sgt. Harold L. Driemeier II (C) - mother CVO Sprv. I Scott M. Suling (F) - mother Tpr. Jim D. Farmer (H) - grandmother-in-

Sgt. Brian N. Harrell (Q/GD) - brother

MVI III Terry G. Mebruer (F) - mother-in-law

Tpr. Kindel C. Ward (E) - mother DE III Jennifer C. Ward (E) - motherin-law

CVE Inspector I Nick A. Karr (D) - grandmother

Telecom. Jodi L. Kent (H) - grandmother

Supply Manager II Christopher L. Terry (Q/BPD) - father

DE II Kimberly D. O'Conner (E) - mother-in-law

Sgt. Gary C. Swartz (C) - grandmother

Ret. UCR/NIBRS Analyst Melita L. Sloan - father-in-law

Ret. Sgt. Lawrence D. Long - brother-in-law

Ret. AFIS Entry Oper. III Charles S. Long - brother-in-law

Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb (Q/PIED) - uncle



My family and I would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers, cards, letters, flowers, memorial donations, and outpouring of support shown following the death of my mother. My entire family was and continues to be impressed by the kindness shown by the Patrol family. Your thoughtfulness will be remembered by our family. May God bless each of you!

Capt. Kyle D. Marquart & family Q/DDCC

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On behalf of the entire Vislay family, I would like to thank everyone from the Patrol for all of the cards, thoughts, and prayers that were offered following the passing of my father. In the course of our lives, blessings come our way often and from places we least expect. It is up to us to recognize them and be grateful. It was a true blessing to have been raised by a man as honorable as my father. I want you all to know that I also consider it a blessing to be associated with such a fine organization as the Patrol and all of the wonderful individuals that comprise it. Thanks, again, for everything, and God bless each and every one of you.

Major Luke Vislay Q/CIB

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I would like to thank everyone for the many expressions of sympathy, support, prayers, and acts of kindness extended to my family and me following the death of my mother, Jeanette Sater. My family and I are truly grateful for the strong support we received from the Patrol family, and were so appreciative of those who attended the visitation and memorial service. Your sympathy and support for our family during this period of bereavement has been heartfelt and sincerely appreciated.

My deepest thanks, Lt. David S. Sater & family Troop D I would like to extend my thanks and appreciation for the cards from my co-workers and retired co-workers. Your words of encouragement and support were a comfort after the losts of my father, Ambrose LeBeau. Also, special thanks to those that attended the mass.

To Patrol Employees:

Ret. Clerical Services Sprv. Lily M. LeBeau

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I want to express my gratitude to everyone I used to work with (over 30 years ago) who sent congratulations notes to me after hearing about my receiving the French Legion of Honor Medal. I have received many wonderful comments. Thank you.

Sincerely, Ret. Major F.A. "Bud" Jones

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Thank you to everyone for the cards, support, and condolences following the passing of Ronnette's grandfather. The thoughtfulness of everybody shows what a wonderful group the Patrol family really is.

Thanks again, Cpl. Roger A. & Mrs. Ronnette L. Sherman, Troop H

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On behalf of the GHQ Torch Run committee, I would like to thank everyone for supporting the Special Olympics cinnamon roll fundraiser. We had a total profit of \$494. I would like to thank the committee for their hard work. Also, thanks to Betty, Ann, and the Academy personnel who helped order supplies, prepared the food, and made sure we had everything necessary to serve the food.

Thanks,

Lt. John J. Hotz Q/PIED To Our Dear Patrol Family:

We are without words to adequately express our thanks for all you have done for Jim and for us over the past year. Your visits, phone calls, cards, and prayers were truly appreciated by Jim, and let him know that he continued to be part of the Patrol family. which meant so much to him. Thank you to Captain Wilt, Lieutenant Elfrink, and all of the Troop B family for all you have done to help us, and for your assistance with the honor guard and funeral. Thank you to Melvin Gordon, Rollie Skaggs, Dale Belshe, Nelson Elfrink, Jim Whitfield, Harold Elder, Ernie Schroeder, and Johnnie Hoggatt for serving as pallbearers. A special thanks and acknowledgement to Jim, Ernie, and Johnnie for being such loval, caring friends and colleagues to Jim to the end—everyone should be so lucky. You each have our deepest gratitude and thanks.

The family of retired Sgt. James A. Knipmeyer

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I want to thank everyone for the cell phone texts, an abundance of cards, many prayers, and the food sent to me during my illness. I appreciated everything that was done for me by my Patrol family. It truly touched my heart, and I will always be grateful for everything that was done for me and my family.

Housekeeper III Catherine F. Chandler Troop I

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I would like to extend my sincere appreciation and gratitude for all the prayers, e-mails, phone calls and cards that were received with the passing of my father, Thomas Terry.

Thank you for those who were able to attend the memorial service, also. I feel very fortunate to have such great co-workers and friends here at the Patrol. Thank you

Supply Manager II Christopher L. Terry

Q/BPD

Come join in the



Two-Person Scramble Golf Tournament

Missouri State Highway Patrol Employees and Retirees

Redfield Golf Course — Eugene, MO Monday, June 4, 2012

LOCATION

Redfield Golf Course Eugene, MO

U.S. Highway 54 at Missouri Highway 17

15 miles south of Jefferson City

AREA MOTEL

Jefferson City, MO

• Best Western

(573) 635-4175

Event group rate available

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Check-in: 7 to 8 a.m. Tee Time: 9 a.m.

Meal — Prizes awarded immediately after the tournament.

Optional Stroke Play Outing: 1 p.m. June 3, 2012

• \$40 per player (includes cart; paid at Pro Shop)

PRACTICE ROUND

Call Pro Shop for tee times and prices.

(573) 498-0110

\$\$ FEES \$\$

Entry Fee: \$60 per player \$120 per team

Entry form and fee are due: May 25, 2012.

Entry Fee Includes: greens fees, cart, meal, and prizes.

\$\$ PRIZES \$\$

Hole-in-one, Hole Prizes, Longest Drive, Door Prizes, and more!

(Flight and prizes determined by number of team entries.)

Entry Form — 41st Annual MSHP Golf Tournament To Benefit The MASTERS

Entry form and fee are due: May 25, 2012.

Golfer 1	Troop	Retiree	Shirt Size
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Golfer 2	Troop	Retiree	Shirt Size

Please make checks payable to: MSHP Golf Tournament. Mail entry form and fee to Retired Major Hugh McKay, 3008 Cottonstone Court, Jefferson City, MO 65109.

Entry Fee: \$60 per player/\$120 per team. Payment *must* be made by deadline of May 25, 2012 for proper tournament planning.

Total Enclosed: _____

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Chargers Hit The Road

By Motor Equipment Division

With 2011 being the last production year for the Ford Crown Victoria, the Patrol was required to look at other vehicles for the troopers on the road. It was decided the Patrol would purchase a small quantity of other available police vehicles that year in order to evaluate them. Previous experience with the Chevrolet Tahoe and Chevrolet Impala left the Dodge Charger and Chevrolet Caprice as vehicles that were unknown to the department.

Thus, the Patrol ordered 27 Chargers and one Caprice to evaluate. The delivery schedule vs. fiscal period allowed only the one Caprice. The number of Tahoes will be expanded in 2012, while the number of Impalas will decline. Ford began producing two new offerings in 2012, with first deliveries of these 2013 models to begin around April 1, 2012. The new Ford offerings include a sedan based on the Taurus platform and a utility vehicle based on the Explorer platform. The Patrol has ordered and will take delivery of 28 Ford Utility Interceptors



The first Dodge Charger was assigned on August 9, 2011.

and 10 Ford Interceptor sedans. The sedans and 20 of the utility vehicles will be evaluated by road officers. The remaining eight utility vehicles will be evaluated by marine operations officers.

Over the next year or two, the Patrol will continue to evaluate the performance, economy, functionality, durability, etc., of the Charger, while we begin to look at the two new offerings from Ford. The decision as to what vehicles will be driven has yet to be made. But, after many years of mostly Crown Vics, it appears the Patrol fleet will be quite diversified for some time to come.